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NASHVILLE –Tennessee's July unemployment rate of 4.1 percent, down one-tenth of a percentage point over the month, was released on August 16. County unemployment rates released today showed that 50 county rates were down, 40 county rates were up, and five remained unchanged over the month.

Williamson County, unchanged at 2.1 percent, registered the state's lowest county unemployment rate. Clay County at 16.4 percent, up from 8.5 percent, reported the state's highest jobless rate.

Knox County was 2.7 percent, down from 3.0 percent. Davidson County was 2.9 percent, down from 3.1 percent, while Hamilton County reported 2.9 percent, down from 3.2 percent in June. Shelby County reported the highest metropolitan rate, 3.9 percent, down from 4.3 percent.

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NOTE: Information will be available on the Internet; enter **http://www.state.tn.us/labor-wfd/labor_figures**

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